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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed July 6, 2005, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I, directed to a method of making a device for transdermally delivering a pharmacologically active agent. Applicants previously elected this Group in a response to a prior Restriction Requirement that was mailed February 14, 2005. In that prior Restriction Requirement, an election was required between allegedly patentably distinct species for making the device for transdermally delivery, the election being required between "dipping" and "spraying" coating processes. Applicants did not make an election between the species, but do so now by electing the dipping coating process. Applicants submit that Claims 18-24, 28-35 and new Claims 47-50 read on the elected invention.

Applicants requests that the application be amended as follows:

Amendment to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.